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Prof. J. Lederberg, Stanford University. School of Medicine, Palo Alto. California. U.S. A.

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Dear Prof. Lederberg:

I am interested in undertaking a study of the recombination of genetic regions during DNA-mediated transformation in B. subtilis. For this purpose I have been seeking strains of B. subtilis in which several phenotypically distinguishable mutant markers are linked on the same transforming unit. As I remember, from the presentations of your group (Nester and Ganesan) at the Denver Transformation Meeting in 1961, you probably have strains in you collection in which at least three, and probably more. such markers have been shown to be linked (gly, his 4 and meth perhaps?). I shall be grateful and would very much appreciate it if one or more such mutant strains could be made available for my studies.

Thanking you,

Sincerely.

V. N. Iyer.

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